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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated August 7, 2002, applicants elect Group II, claims 5-10, drawn to a method of manufacturing a semiconductor, in the above-identified patent application with traverse.

Applicants traverse because applicants submit that the claims should be examined together in that the searches performed by the Examiner would be similar.

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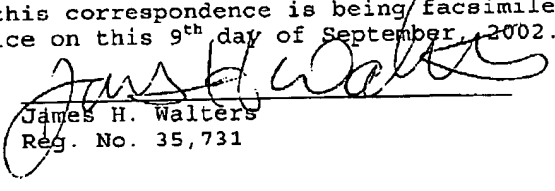
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